I often thought as Bruno's large, intelli gent eyes were turned full upon me, that their glance bespoke a strange longing for expression, a kind of hopeless struggle against the barriers of fate. I had read too, and thought considerably upon the immortality of brules, as they are unjustly called, and was not surprised that the transmigration of souls had been an article of faith in the creed of more sects than one. I was inclined to give unhesitating credence to the statement that animals reason, and arrive at conclusions. Since they dream I was certain they must possess imagination and everybody acknowledge they have mem-

One day I was revolving in my mind the possibility of learning something more definite than the sagest conjectures I had seen in regard to the constitution of an animal's mind, and the operation of its faculties. I wanted to know how my dog felt and what he thought, and if I could arrive at this I might be able to institute a comparison between his and the human mind, and ascertain in what respects they were similar, and consequently whether or not they are candidates for an immortal state. I therefore availed myself of a visit with Bruno, to an excellent mesmerist.

My dog was strongly attached to me, and would, I knew, obey my slightest wish; hence I need anticipate no trouble from any refractory disposition on his part, which might interfere with the execution of my

Bruno was placed upon a sofa by my side, when the mesmerist proceeded under my direction to form the acquaintance of my dog, so as to be able to put me in a magnetic communication with Bruno after I should

Bruno at first not disposed to question terms with the operator, he finally allowed his paws to be handled at the man's pleasure. Every now and then I spoke encouragingly to him, and endeavored to make him feel that no harm was to come to him.

When I saw that he would obey the stranger as well as myself in the necessary particulars, I gave myself up to the mesmeric designs in this garment are the Neilson, power of the operator.

My last recollection of external things of the other styles. was that Bruno sat looking intently upon me, as if to fathom the purpose of this novel procedure. I judge that I was not long in losing my own volition. After a time, I could not tell how long, I became send. It is simple, practical, yet graceful, aware of Bruno's presence, though not of and gives the effect, with sleeveless jacket, his form. I felt what the dumb creature did ; thought as he thought ; was as he was and the mesmerist took down my utterances which were only the expression of Bruno's ideas and sentiments, that he was unable to clothe in words, but which I comprehended from the connection between our minds.

"I am a dog. I understand this much, because I have heard myself so-called ever since I can remember. What dog is I do not know except from what I can understand of myself. I have the same senses as will also be much in vogue, the sleeves my master; I can not only feel heat and being made of the same material as the uncold, hunger and thirst, but grief and joy like him; I cannot laugh and weep, but I am sure that I express my emotion by un- pose mistakable signs; I am conscious of pride and shame, I love approbation also, and dread displeasure, as I observe that human beings do. Why I cannot speak except in unintelligible sounds I do not know; it certainly is not because I have nothing to say. I can compare experiences and learn to avoid what causes pain, and seek that which affords pleasure. My eyes and my ears serve me and my memory is good, so that if I had only some medium through which to communicate my observations, or my experiences, I should not lie dumb upon the hearth-rug and pretend to sleep my hours is considerable, both in texture and price. hearth-rug and pretend to sleep my hours is con away. Oh! that language were mine! Wherefore has my race been smitten with the threads or loops are not fastened on the dumbness? perhaps it is as a punishment under side. This carpet can be distinguishfor crime in some previous existence; but I ed by taking a piece of the carpet and pulllong to break the chains of fate. I see my master in grief sometimes, and all that I carefully used, one of these carpets will wear can do is to hang down my head and look well; but rough sweeping, and boots and my sympathy. To be sure he seems to unshoes with tacks in them, will soon cover derstand my mute signs; but if I could only utter my sorrow it would give me such relief. Alas is vain I sigh for the gift of speech; In wein I time of the more substantial, although to the inexperispeech; In vain I tire of the scorn of men who do not comprehend my nature and consider it fine treatment of a dog if he has a bone and a bed; who down it me are a loops are fastened on the under side, and bone and a bed; who deem it no wrong to therefore cannot be pulled out, either by cuff or kick us at their pleasure when we drawing the threads or by pulling at the fail to understand their language, I weary of loops. An excellent plan is now in vogue hardship. I long for rest, unending rest, for freedom from my fetters. Surely the for freedom from my fetters. Surely the paper with cotton between. These soften One who made me will take pity upon me, the floors, and make the carpets wear better. ark. are Quality of goods guaranteed to compare fa though now in gladness or sorrow,-hope or fear-pride or abasement I must be mute,

"If I could but convince men that I have some claim to respect it would be a satistion, but it seems a thing of course that I 7-8 per thousand. The contract is to run should hazard my life to save a child from drowning, or bring back a lost one, from the woods, and nobody thinks it any evidence of reason. I am only a brute to be patted to be patted to be done by the 1st of May, perhaps, for my good conduct—fed a little when the contract takes effect. They are to better for a week, and then turned out of be3 by 5 1-2 inches in size, made from bond doors whenever it pleases those who have pounds per thousand cards. They are to be the charge of me.

by this time is tired of writing down a years of the contract. as definition to the first of

dog's feelings, or I was becoming too deeply interested in my canine pet, for I awoke bathed in tears and sobbing aloud.

On looking over Bruno's soliloquy, I was not suprised to have found myself overcome with grief, for not only were my previous ideas confirmed, but I had a much more vivid realization of a brute's sensibility to suffering of various kinds, ... A 10 MAG

Henceforth I shall look upon dogs with a new interest, and indeed upon all dumb animals, and seek to acquaint myself, as well as possible with their modes of expres-

It does not seem utterly absurd that the Brahimins believe a musquito by metempsychosis may become a god.

I can but think progression is the order of Providence, in respect to brutes as to human beings, and that sometimes the intelligent dog may rise superior to a brutal master. If this is all fancy and the end of a dumb beast's existence is the termination of their life, I am perplexed at the injustice of his fate. Still my confidence in the benevolence of the Creator is such, that I put away the thought of injustice and look at the future to solve this and all other dark problems of mundane existence,

Fashion Notes.

Polk a dots promise to be the fashionable design for all spring goods of qualities below the fine grades of silk. This was foreshadowned in French dresses of last year, and a mong the new importations one of the most evident features is this round, moonlike spot of white on a dark ground, or else a broche dot of self-color. These are found in foulards, pongees, grenadines, and prints. For the early season we have the cashmeres, Siciliennes, viroques, India camels' hair cloth, mohairs, summer silks, poplins and Japanese silks and poplins. These last fabrics are of English manufacture, notwithstanding their Eastern name, and have certainly much improved. Their brilliant lustre outshines the richest plain silk, and in the new peacock, resida, gray, green and pure wood tints produces effects indescrib-

Black silk, black cashmere and camels the right of a stranger to use familiarities hair cloth will be as much employed as ever with him; but upon seeing me on good for suits, and polonaises, the latter richly emboridered and ornamented with new

knotted ball fringe, instead of lace. New spring designs are adapted to these materials. For handsome suits of black silk or cashmere Sicilienne there are the stylish redingotes which, with the addition of an underskirt, form a complete and graceful costume.

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Sleeveless jackets have brought to light many plain, round waisted dresses, which had been laid aside as among the impossi-bles. To such a waist, attached to a single plain skirt, the Milicent overskirt is a godof a complete costume.

Overskirts are numerous, consequent upon the revival of jackets; the Margaretta is a favorite model. The Stuart overskirt is a particularly good

exponent of this very fashionable style, and is well adapted to rich silk, poplin or other goods that will "stand out." The prettiest styles in sleeveless jackets are the Lucia and the Vilette, the former very simple with three tabs in the back, and the latter pointed in front with a partition

Sleeveless polonaises, as they are called, derskirt. Any style of polonaise can be used for this purpose, and a simple coat sleeve is the most appropriate for the pur-

Ladies who can indulge in the luxury of wrappers will find a new Watteau, with pointed cape open on the back, which is what so few wrappers are, that is to say, be-coming. Plain twilled flannel at this season is a material to be commended, but later foulard, French print or hair striped linen would be more suitable.

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The expense of packing and freighting to washington to be borne by the contractor.

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